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WHERE POURING AND SPRINKLING FOR BAPTISM CAME FROM

The idea of pouring and sprinkling for baptism originated with Justin Martyr about A. D. 150. One hundred years later we have the account of what they called clinic (couch) baptism. One by the name of Novatian was sick unto death and wanted baptism, and being to ill to be carried to the church and immersed, tubs of water were poured upon him on his bed, thus immersing him.

About this time Tertullian was teaching baptismal regeneration; that there could be no regeneration without baptism and that the pouring of water (aspersion) upon the candidate's head answered the same as immersing him in the water. Cyprion, who was bishop of Africa, gave his advocacy to this form of baptism, holding that it should be triune, the three-fold pouring of water on the head in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, thus cleansing away sin because the act had the power of regeneration.

In 1311 pouring a small quantity of water on the head became official Roman Catholic baptism, making it a symbol of cleansing instead as taught in scripture a symbol of the Saviour's death, burial and resurrection: not only changing the Scripture more, but the Scriptural design also. Baptists where they immersed their

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Full Church Program

By Duke K. McCall

I went to church on Sunday night, January 25, 1948, with John Hawkins, whose ancestors were pirates. Just as we would have done in the United States, we arrived at 6:30 in time for Baptist Training Union at the Robolo Baptist Church. Perhaps I should not have been surprised at the Training Union, but I was. The church was located in a section of Barranquilla so tough that nobody expected Baptists to get a start there. Some even predicted that the ruffians in the neighborhood would tear down the church — if ever they allowed it to be completed.

To describe the church building as an oasis in a desert does not quite offer the contrast. On either side were mud huts with thatched roofs. The church was a beautiful brick structure covered with stucco. A tile roof conveyed an impression of permanence. Next door to the church was an equally well-built school, providing class rooms for the Sunday school and Training Union on Sunday while used for school during the week.

I wondered "How many will attend Training Union in a church only five years old?" The general assembly was held in the auditorium, and no wonder. There were 103 present. The general assembly program was "a

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CLERGY IS OVERWORKED, UNDERPAID, SAYS LAROE

CHICAGO—(RNS)—Wilbur LaRoe, Jr., moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., said here that the nation's clergymen are overworked and that most of them get paid less than half as much as bricklayers.

LaRoe spoke at the opening session of a convention called here to organize a National Council of Presbyterian Men.

The moderator, holder of the highest position within his denomination, charged that while bricklayers are now earning \$18.50 per day most ministers "do not receive anything like half that salary."

Presbyterian laymen must increase their pastors' salaries, he said, and also help the clergy in their work. Ministers are overworked, he stressed, because most laymen "take the position that ministers are paid to do all the work of the church."

LaRoe charged that laymen forget their religion "from Monday morning until Sunday night." Actually, he continued, the church should be "a sort of spiritual service station to which we

Too Busy To Serve The Lord

Read This Story of Maxey Jarman And Find Another Excuse



MAXEY JARMAN

laymen go on Sunday to get our low batteries recharged for work of the community."

By C. E. Bryant

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP)— If the doors ever open for a regular service at First Baptist Church and the Maxey Jarman are not present, you can be sure they are out of town.

W. Maxey Jarman loves the Lord and loves the church, and everytime the church asks for his services he is ready to serve. He is chairman of the deacons at First Church, and is the teacher of a young men's Sunday school class. During a recent evangelistic service, he was seen to leave his pew at the beginning of the invitation, walk around the back of the auditorium to the seat of a friend and ask that man to give his heart to Christ.

He loves his denomination, too. He is president of the Southern Baptist Foundation, and is a member of the Sunday School Board, serving as financial advisor. And as executor of a trust fund left by his late father, his ministry reaches out to the building of new houses of worship in lands around the globe.

He also is president of Tennessee Baptist Orphan's Home, a trustee of Moody Bible Institute, a trustee of the Tennessee Baptist Foundation, and a trustee of Peabody College.

What is significant about all this?

Mr. Jarman does this church work despite the fact he has more reason than probably any of us to say he is too busy. For he is a very busy man.

He is chairman of the board of General Shoe Corporation, which business in 1947 manufactured in its 26 plants 16 million pairs of shoes under 18 nationally known labels to set a

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MacArthur Sees Christain Concepts Gaining In Japan

ATLANTA, Ga. —(RNS)— General Douglas MacArthur, supreme commander of the Allied powers in Japan, has reiterated his contention that the solution of Japanese problems "largely rests upon the spiritual reformation of the Japanese people," and expressed belief that Christian influences "rapidly are bearing fruit."

His statements were made in a letter to Dr. Louie D. Newton of Atlanta, president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"The situation here has proceeded most favorably" these last two months, General MacArthur wrote from Tokyo. "There is increasing evidence of a growing veneration for the Christian concept, as its rudimentary understanding comes to the Japanese people from the living example of the application of its immutable tenets to which every phase of occupational policy is attuned, and of which every member of the occupation force is a practitioner."

"Through daily contact with our American men and women who are here engaged in the reshaping of Japan's future," MacArthur continued "there is penetrating into the Japanese mind the noble influences which find their inspiration in the American home. These influences rapidly are bearing fruit, and apart from the great numbers who are coming formally to embrace the Christian faith, a whole population is coming to understand, practice and cherish its underlying principles and ideals."

General MacArthur said that help from American churches, as suggested by Dr. Newton in an earlier letter, "will be most helpful and welcome."

The Baptist Hour

March 21, 1948

Speaker: Dr. Duke K. McCall, Nashville, Tennessee.

Subject: "Equal — Under God."

The Baptist Hour may be heard in Mississippi at 7:30 Sunday mornings over radio stations WGRM, Greenwood; WFOR, Hattiesburg; WSLI, Jackson; WAML, Laurel; and WTOK, Meridian. Also over WAZF, Yazoo City the following Sunday at 8:30 A. M.

Gift Parcels Go Where Missionaries Can't

By Marjorie E. Moore

Whenever anybody asks me how I know the food and clothing we send to Europe gets to those who need them most, I say, "You ought to see my mail!" Practically every thank you note that come to any member of the Foreign Board's relief committee or to the Baptist World Alliance, 1628 16th Street, N. W., Washington 9, D. C., crosses my desk sooner or later, and I ache for a chance to share them with the people who are skeptical about relief.

Here is a sample postmarked in February:

Yesterday was a wonderful day for me. I had the great happiness to receive no less than sixteen parcels, all quite respectable in size and some looking quite formidable . . . I never had such treasuretrove in my life, so much and such fine quality, and among the clothing we found candy, soap, etc. In one consignment there were two magnificent cans of sugar, one of which came through intact,

the other slightly bulged, but I think we saved ever grain. All the time we were competing in ejaculations and thanksgiving.

Did this recipient of sixteen packages store the contents away for his family's use as long as it would last? Read on:

We took out some things which I shall give to known cases of individual need. Then we filled four big containers (really military hold-alls) and I telephoned the president of the German Baptists about them. Then we drove there. I leave the donating ladies to imagine the joy of Frau M . . . She and her husband are in touch with the Soviet Zone, and will easily be able to get all things into it, where they are terribly needed. In that way, we—that is, you kind American donors and myself — need not figure too prominently lest the authorities object in some way.

As soon as the car came back, the rest of the things, this time filling

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The Baptist Record EF Plan Helps Increase Spirituality

TOO BUSY TO SERVE THE LORD

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record sales total of more than 73 million dollars. The shoes are sold through 14,000 dealers and in 96 company-operated stores bearing the name of Jarman, Flagg Brothers, Hardy, and Holiday. There also are factories in Mexico City and Lima, Peru, and retail outlets in those areas.

Maxey Jarman loves the Lord and believes God's promises. He knows that stewardship to God is a vital obligation of every man, and he dares not shirk those responsibilities.

The Jarman name on shoes had its very origin in the devotion of James Franklin Jarman, Maxey's father, to the will of God. The elder Jarman was profitably employed in a Nashville shoe concern, but his strong convictions that a business should be operated on Christian principles made him want a factory of his own.

So it was that one Friday in 1919, J. F. Jarman left his Nashville office, went to the little city of Franklin, 19 miles away, rented a hotel room, and spent many hours in prayer. When he emerged, he was convinced it was God's will that he form his own shoe company and run it along Christian lines.

The Jarman Shoe Company came into being five years later, dedicated to Christian operation of the business and the manufacture of a good calf-skin shoe for \$5. He succeeded in both.

As the business grew and new shoe brands were added, the corporation's name was changed to General Shoe. When Jarman, the founder, died in 1938, he left an estate of \$3,500,000, two-thirds of which went to the Jarman Foundation for the aiding of Bible institutes, Christian orphanages and mission work. Management of the company went to his son, who had served as president the last five years of his father's life.

His philosophy of business has continued along the Christian convictions of his father. Every plant has a grievance committee to give consideration to complaints of all employees, and bonuses are set up for employees who bring suggestions for improvements in technique. Jarman opens all staff meetings with prayer, and fills his annual reports with remarks like: "We believe that to be successful we must build on a foundation of character."

Yes, this is the man who finds time to serve his church and denomination in many, many ways. And he is the Christian businessman who is president of the Southern Baptist Foundation, the newest institution of 6,270,819 Southern Baptists.

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WHERE POURING AND

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candidates are still to be seen where many popes are buried, and at Florence and Pisa.

So strongly did they then believe as Baptists have always believed, that baptism precedes the Lord's Supper, that imposing structures were erected some distance away from the main building of worship to contain these baptismal pools. The candidates were immersed in these pools that are housed in separate buildings and the Lord's Supper was observed in their houses of worship proper.

When the Lord's Supper came to be no longer observed as a Memorial of "The Lord's death till he come," it was proclaimed to be a "holy sacrament," a "holy communion" with the doctrine of substantiation, the eating of the actual flesh and drinking the

J. M. WELLS

J. M. Wells died on Sunday night, November 9, 1947 at Newton. He had lived a little beyond 68 years. The son of a Baptist minister, who died early, Mr. Wells spent most of his adolescence without a father. In spite of this and other difficulties, he made progress, became a Christian, a good husband, father, public official, and all-round citizen. He loved people and gave time and substance to those in need, especially to the aged. He was unassuming in his living, but everyone who knew him knew him to be a man of stable virtues.

During the last days of Mr. Wells' illness, it was a blessing to behold the friendship and love of so many people, white and black, for him. On the night of his passing, while many were about his hospital bed, in the corridor, and adjoining porch, I reminded Rev. R. A. Mossi, his pastor, of the statement of some one who saw Jesus shedding tears regarding Lazarus' passing and remarked "Behold, how he loved Lazarus." It was a blessing to be associated with him in the home and in other common interests. He is now free from pain, tears and grief just as Christ has promised to all who simply trust Him and follow Him.

J. M. Wells was truly a good man and made a distinct and valuable contribution to many during his life-time.—A. A. ROEBUCK.

actual blood of Christ. Some of these pools are of porphyry stone and most elaborate and beautiful. In showing you the one in connection with St. John in Lateran, long in disuse but retained because of its history, the custodian takes pleasure in telling you, "This is where Emperor Constantine was baptized."

When Martin Luther made his protest and led the Reformation, he brought the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper as practiced by the Roman Catholics into the new order. Other denominations springing up after the Reformation, the English Episcopacy under Henry the VIII, Presbyterians under Calvin, Methodists under Wesley, and others of lesser prominence since then, have continued the practice of these ordinances as changed by the Roman Catholics. (See Veder's "History of Baptists.")

As the author of "See These Banners Go," in which he traces the origin and history of the 12 major denominations usually classed as Protestants, says "How old are the Baptists? Well, how old are the hills?" Baptists protested Romanism before Martin Luther was born, and during the Luther regime were persecuted by it. Their stand for freedom of the soul and conscience stamped them as heretics, and when they took the part of the people in the peasants war, Luther advised that they be "kicked down, strangled and stabbed without mercy," this author goes on to relate. Baptists are not and never have been Protestants.

They never protested and came out of Catholicism for they have never been in. As Cardinal Gibbons when Bishop of North Carolina once said to R. W. Smith, his neighbor, a Baptist minister: "I know history. You Baptists are not Protestants. You have been at one end of the line and we Catholics at the other all down the centuries. If I were not a Catholic priest, I would be a Baptist preacher."

Baptists, you have a heritage and a history. Know your history. Know your Bible. Know the doctrines and principles Scripturally founded, upon which as a Baptists you stand. — Main Street Baptist.

Pleasant Grove Calls Hawks



REV. C. W. HAWKS

Rev. C. W. Hawks of the New Orleans Seminary has been called as pastor of the Pleasant Grove Church, near Lucien. Since his coming the church has adopted a full time program, and already marked results are evident in Sunday School and preaching attendance.

The pastorium is near completion and Mr. and Mrs. Hawks plan to move on the field as soon as it is ready for occupancy. Plans have been made for Rev. Mr. Hawks to lead in their revival services beginning the fourth Sunday in July.

Mr. Hawks is a native of Virginia and before coming to the New Orleans Seminary was pastor of two full time churches in that state.

His wife is the former Miss Gladys Adams. They have three children Douglas 11, Loretta 9, and Linda 5.

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GIFT PARCELS GO WHERE

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three containers went to the well-known refugee homes which also have an establishment in the Soviet zone, where all manner of poor and destitute are relieved, while their soul's needs are also taken care of. The women waited up to receive the gifts, and were loud in their exclamations of joy and thanks to God.

From an Austrian war veteran and former prisoner of war befriended by his American guard, comes a note of thanks dated February 12 for a gift package from Bristol, Tennessee. "I am very happy," he says. "After some changes in size I shall have after nearly ten years' interruption a fine suit. I wrote the kind benefactress a letter with my thanks and I thank you also for your kind intervention."

"Here things are going on some better. Rebuilding and work did not stop because the winter was mild although since the past week we have very cold days — 10 degrees below. But spring is coming soon and we have much hope that all will turn to good with the help of the Lord. Best Easter greetings to you."

Here's is proof enough that a Christian ministry is being performed where we have no missionaries. You can have a part in it by sending a parcel direct to some European Baptist who will use it as a gift from God. Write the Baptist World Alliance, Washington 9, D. C., for a name and address, and state which nationality you prefer.

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Siloam Church, Franklin County, Edgar Gammill, treasurer, is an oldtime friend of the Baptist Record. Recently Mr. Gammill sent the renewal list for this good church and the check for a year's payment.

N. M. Baptists Buy Site For South-Wide Assembly Grounds

By Religious News Service

SANTA FE, N. M. —(RNS)— When the Southern Baptist Convention meets in Memphis, Tenn., this May delegates will receive an offer from the Baptist Convention of New Mexico of an 880-acre ranch site 20 miles southeast of here for a summer conference grounds.

At a recent meeting of the New Mexico Baptists, the executive board of the Convention authorized purchase has been made.

New Mexico Baptists will offer the land to the Southern Convention as a site for summer assemblies "on a south-wide basis." A stipulation specifies that if such assemblies cannot be held on a south-wide basis, control will revert to the New Mexico group.

It is hoped the Glorieta plant may eventually be comparable to the Southern Convention's eastern assembly at Ridgecrest, N. C.

Preliminary plans for the Glorieta site call for these improvements: an auditorium with a seating capacity of 3,000 to 4,000 persons, two or three hotels plus cottages which would accommodate from 2,000 to 3,000 guests, and a large dining hall.

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FULL CHURCH PROGRAM

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debate." Through my poor understanding of Spanish I gathered the question had to do with whether Peter or Paul was the greater. The terms had about five on each side. One after another the neatly dressed boys and girls stepped up to make their plea for either Peter or Paul. Some of them spoke so low you could hardly hear them; other turned loose with all the fire of their Spanish background. What of the decision? Well, the three judges decided it was a tie. This foreigner who sat on a back pew decided that the program itself would have been at least a tie with any Training Union assembly program presented in any Southern Baptist church that night.

The thing that caught my imagination was that the Baptists Training Union seemed to be perfectly at home. On second thought I realized that I was the only thing foreign there. The Bible was at home in the hands of Christians. Jesus was at home in the hearts of those for whom He died. Training in church membership was just as natural and just as necessary for these mission converts as for any man or woman who acknowledges the lordship of Jesus Christ the Southern Baptist Convention. I am convinced that the remarkable success of our Baptist mission work in Colombia is in large measure due to the fact that a full church program has been launched by each mission station.

If the study of the Bible is important, we need a Sunday school everywhere. If converts need to be trained for service, and the Baptist Training Union meets a need in the States with our superior public school system and our Baptist colleges, how can they hope to develop church leaders without it on the mission fields? There is a necessary place for a Woman's Missionary Union, for the Commission of Jesus Christ applies to every convert everywhere in the world. Baptist churches everywhere must meet to worship and also study to serve.

Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12

I
During the last two weeks in making engagements, we have been practically all over Mississippi. We have never experienced greater loyalty, seen manifest finer spirit and fellowship, heard more glorious reports or less criticism of the work than these two weeks. That is the way it should be in the King's business!

We remember when a boy reading a story of a snowflake falling on the feather of a little chicken. Fearful, frantic, and panic stricken he raced away to his mother to tell her that the clouds were falling. She quietly assured him that it was only a snowflake. We recall during the days in the pastorate occasionally we would get discouraged for one cause or another. We would then have occasion to visit some other field and inevitably came back home thanking God for our place of service. When your liver is out of order and you have a bad taste in your mouth, pray a little, win somebody to Christ, go out and work and worship with the sort of Mississippi Baptists we see, and we guarantee that you will be refreshed and strengthened!

Recently you received a letter emphasizing evangelism, the Co-operative Program and the tithing campaign. A Co-operative Program tract and a tithing card were included. Several days later Clarke College envelopes and materials followed. So far as we recall, this was the largest mailing within the space of a few days ever accomplished in the Baptist Building. We are indebted to the following workers for this hurry-up task: Mrs. I. N. Morgan, Mrs. E. A. Kinard, Mrs. Tom Temple, Miss Miriam Washburne, Miss Emma Smith, Mrs. P. D. Houston, Mrs. C. H. Gunn, and Miss Betty Houston.

II
The prayer room was filled Wednesday evening at East Baptist Church, Greenville. We were happy to be with them. We enjoyed the fellowship and refreshment of the John D. Davis home along with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Watson, other leaders in that fine church.

It had been raining for days we were told and was still raining down on the Gulf Coast on Thursday evening, but we had 94 men present. Nor was their ardor dampened by the weather. We met in the Long Beach Baptist Church, where delicious refreshments were served.

Friday morning we spoke to the W. M. U. of First Baptist Church, Biloxi. The Hodge family continues to give great leadership to these people and this church is rendering an unusual service. Miss Elizabeth Pickering is the splendid church hostess.

Notwithstanding a rain storm throughout Friday and on into the night, 43 men were present at the Brotherhood meeting at Goodyear Baptist Church, Picayune. J. Harold Jones, pastor. The water was almost running down deep for three-fourths of the block in front of the church, but still this company of men came.

On this trip we found Association Missionaries Harrell, Anderson, and Rhodes doing much good work in their respective associations.

It was good to be with Brother W. A. Hogan, his family, and church members at Bay Springs Sunday morning. We had a good congregation. Then followed good refreshments and fellowship in the home of the fine pastor.

In the late afternoon we were down at Union in Perry County with Pastor T. W. Hembree, another one of our constructive, loyal pastors. The house was packed. A young man, son to some church leaders, was converted.

On the way back we were the guest of our good friends, the Ainsworths, who own and operate the Ainsworth Hotel and

Cafe at Taylorville, a good place to eat or sleep always.

At all three of these places during the day we were among boyhood friends.

III
Question: After our splendid service at Long Beach two fine Gulf Coast preachers altogether friendly to our work made inquiry about equipment furnished Brother B. H. Benton who served for nearly two years as the LeTourneau Stewardship man. We are happy to present you this whole financial picture as we were happy to present them with the information in the matter. Brother Benton came to us May 15, 1946, serving to January 1, 1948. During this time he received \$5,635.00 in salary and \$1,770.57 expense or a total of \$7,405.57. Of this total the LeTourneau Foundation sent us April 24, 1946, \$2,500.00 and February 8, 1947, \$3,000.00. A total of \$5,500.00 from the LeTourneau Foundation for the entire period during which Brother Benton served. The LeTourneau money was to be used for personnel, and not one penny for equipment. He was allowed the honorarium for eight revivals a year. Out of Mississippi Baptists monies, either from the budget or collections, this department was furnished with a \$500.00 tent, \$600.00 for chairs, over \$100.00 for a trailer, and nearly \$100.00 for repairs and so forth for a loud speaker. The office expense total, in addition to the above figures, was \$494.31. The salary of the office secretary totaled \$536.45. Singers were paid \$264.30, or a total in these items of \$1,295.56.

We are happy to present this as a continuation of our all time policy in giving any information requested so long as we have the answer to the question.

That it may be clear to all, we state finally that the LeTourneau Foundation sent no money through this office for equipment for the above worker.

IV
We have more inspiring Clarke College materials and splendid testimonies than we can find space for, but we do appreciate them just the same. What we do Sunday, March 23, counts ultimately for victory. These reports and testimonies indicate a tremendous victory.

V

We would like for Mississippi Baptists to know that we are neither receiving or expecting any remuneration whatsoever from directing the Clarke College Campaign. As a matter of fact, so far as we recall, we have not received a penny of remuneration from any of the campaigns we have directed. We state that fact simply because we feel it will add emphasis to our appeal for Mississippi Baptists to get under this campaign and put it over Sunday, March 23.

If all of us together bring \$350,000 into the houses of the Lord on that day and for that purpose, the buildings will be erected, the equipment will be purchased, and repairs on present buildings made. Additional students will be provided for. Dr. W. E. Greene, president, told us this week that already all present available space for married students was taken for next session. It would be a tragedy for men with families to be denied Christian Education. If this campaign succeeds now, further expense will be spared, and all of us can put our hands to other needed tasks.

If only part of the money comes in now, the campaign will be continued according to plan through the year, additional expense will be incurred, the time of many of us will be claimed by prosecution of the campaign, and other needed matters will be delayed.

Pastors and treasurers should plan to forward all Clarke College Campaign monies through the office of the Missis-

issippi Baptists Convention Board, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi, that the churches of our Lord may receive the benefit of testimony therefrom. In April or not later than the first part of May, we expect to print a church by church statement of receipts in this campaign. If your church is to get in this list, we must receive the remittances not later than April. We hope success may be so complete as to delight the heart of the Saviour and inspire all Mississippi Baptist life! Dextology!

VI
Dr. W. E. Greene, president of Clarke Memorial College, is one of the finest and most spiritual Christians we know. On the negative side, you never hear of him playing politics, fighting to hurt the other fellow or the other cause, or acting selfishly toward his own interest. On the positive side, you hear about his humility, his unselfishness, borrowing money on his car to help out a student, boosting all the work of Christ, praying for and pulling for all the workers of Christ, winning people to Christ, going day and night in the work of Christ! Dr. W. E. Greene is just another reason why Mississippi Baptists should give \$350,000 immediately to Clarke College!

From efforts in the past, we already have the sizeable sum of \$20,000 paid in on this campaign, and harvest time is yet ahead of us.

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S. E. Pastors' Conference To Meet March 22

The Southeast Pastors' Conference, according to Secretary J. B. Stewart, will meet at the First Baptist Church, Laurel, March 22. The program is as follows:

10:00-10:05—Song and Prayer, H. L. Courtney.
10:05-11:00—Reports.
11:00-11:25—Youth Revivals, Riley Munday.
11:25-11:30—Special Music.
11:30-12:00—Sermon, J. C. Murphy.
12:00-1:00—Lunch and Fellowship.
1:00-1:15—Business.
1:15-2:00—Bible Study, James W. Parrish.

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LICENSED TO DO WHAT?

By R. J. Paterson
in Wesleyan Christian Advocate
The drink traffic comes out and stalks about over the land, trampling down our country's prosperity, irrespective of what damage it is doing so long as it serves its own ends. We approach it and ask: "What are you doing, trampling down the prosperity of our country in such a fashion?"

It says: "Do you know to whom your are talking? Do you know that I am a government institution? Do you know that I am a licensed trade? If you do not believe me I'll show you my papers. Here is my license. What do you have to say to that?"

Licensed to do what? Licensed to damn women! Licensed to starve children! Licensed to fill our workhouses! Licensed to send twenty-five per cent of the inmates to our asylums! Licensed to make the worst of our city slumdom! Licensed to increase lust!

Licensed to make murderers! Licensed to empty our churches! Licensed to make hell at the fireside! Licensed to turn the mightiest intellects into gibbering idiots!

Licensed to send men and women

MERIDIAN CHURCH CALLS T. L. PFEIFER AS PASTOR



REV. T. L. PFEIFER

The Forty-First Avenue church in Meridian has called Rev. Thomas L. Pfeifer as pastor. He has moved on the field and has been given a cordial welcome by the entire community. A recent graduate of the New Orleans Seminary, with the Th. M. degree the new pastor has an outstanding record of service as pastor and as Institutional worker with the Mississippi Baptist Mission Board during the days when he was a student at Mississippi College where he received his B. A. degree. Mrs. Pfeifer attended Hillman College and the New Orleans Seminary. She is actively interested in all phases of her husband's work. They have three fine children, Bonnie, Ronny and Patricia Ann.

The field in Meridian holds a great challenge and indications point toward a great pastorate with this progressive congregation. The new pastor succeeds Rev. Ray Dykes who moved to Tylertown, to accept the leadership of the First Baptist church there.

Having served as pastor of Bethel church in Pearl River county Rev. Pfeifer led that group in an outstanding program covering the causes fostered by the Mississippi Baptists with great success. He resigned at Bethel to come to Meridian.

During his college days Rev. Pfeifer was president of the Ministerial Association and at New Orleans he was elected as president of the student body at the Seminary.

Congressman Warns Against Education Without Religion

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. —(RNS)—Education without religion "can lead to statism," Congressman Ralph W. Gwinn of New York warned the International Association of Daily Vacation Bible Schools at its 40th annual session here.

"Wherever the worship of the mass idea of attaining good through the state has taken hold, we have compulsion in one form or another," he said.

The individual is the source of responsibility, energy, creative capacity and production according to Christian concepts, Gwinn asserted.

made in the image of God down to the depths of hell!

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Home and Foreign Mission Day

March 28 or the nearest conven-
ient Sunday has been designated
as Home and Foreign Missions
Day in our Sunday Schools.

The purpose of this day and the
program is to inform, to inspire,
and to enlist our people in the
great task of Home and Foreign
Missions.

Every Sunday School should
have this program at some
convenient Sunday, preferably
March 28. This program will in-
form, inspire, and enlist those who
hear it. It will also cause some to
want to make an offering for
Home and Foreign Missions. Each
Sunday School should take this
special offering. It may be true
that many who are at the service
that day will be regular contri-
butors, but there are always some
who are not regular contributors,
and some who are not contribu-
tors at all. And they should be
given an opportunity to support
Baptist Home and Foreign Mission
work around the world.

Offering envelopes may be se-
cured by writing and giving the
number needed to the Committee
on Denominational Calendar, 171
Eight Avenue, North, Nashville,
Tennessee.

—BR—

We Approve

Editor David M. Gardner of the
Texas Baptist Standard recently
had a timely editorial suggesting
that one term is long enough for
one person to be president of the
Southern Baptist Convention. We
heartily favor Editor Gardner's
idea.

The presidency of the Southern
Baptist Convention is an honor
that involves few responsibilities
except as a presiding officer. Two
terms carries no more honor than
one term.

There are many Southern Bap-
tists who deserve the honor and

who would worthily wear the
president's mantle. If each person
serves only one term, twice as
many will be honored.

One term would discount the
claims of the few perennial com-
plainers concerning ecclesiastical
bosses. Some still remember how
one president often spoke of "my
administration."

If the presidency is an honor,
let's pass it around. If experience
is the deciding factor, we should
continue to re-elect a good presi-
dent as long as his services are
satisfactory.

—BR—

A Good Idea

Pastors often ask us to suggest
plans for increasing reader inter-
est in the Baptist Record. We are
glad to pass on an idea used by
Rev. Joe T. Odle, pastor of the
First Church, Gulfport. In his
weekly bulletin he calls attention
to some interesting article. Below
we reproduce an item from a re-
cent issue of the weekly bulletin:

"DID YOU READ the report on
Southern Baptist progress in last
week's Baptist Record? If not, go
back to it and read it. You will
thank God for the blessings he has
bestowed on our Southern Bap-
tist churches. Many other fine
things in the Record too. Read it
thoroughly each week and be an
informed Baptist."

—BR—

Building Better Churches

Book reviews are usually placed
in our news columns, but Dr. G. S.
Dobbins' recent book, BUILDING
BETTER CHURCHES, is so much
better than any other book we have
seen on this subject that we are
giving space to it on the editorial
page.

Of the book one reviewer says,
"This volume is comprehensive, al-
most exhaustive; neither minister
nor interested church member will
need to read another book on this
subject for some time. It is the
outgrowth of years of teaching, of-
fering acquaintance with an exten-
sive bibliography, contracts with
thousands of preachers, and reac-
tions from wide sources. The study
is presented in three Parts, dealing
respectively with New Testament
principles, efficient organization,
and pastoral ministries. Avoiding
preconceived ideas, Dr. Dobbins
approaches his subject with the
earnest desire to magnify and ap-
ply New Testament principles. His
discussion of the changes in our
century is the finest thing of its
kind that we have seen in print;
his demand that this period of
change be used to bring the
churches back to the New Testa-

ment pattern is most convincing.
Among other features are the insis-
tence upon facts, the principle of
voluntariness, ministerial ethics,
the minister's call and calling,
sound basis for Christian unity,
position of women in the churches,
and length of pastorates. We like
this sentence, 'A church may be
small but it cannot be little.'"

The author is a native of Mis-
sissippi, a graduate of Mississippi
College, of the Southern Baptist
Theological Seminary (Th. D.) and
of Columbia University (M. A.).
He has been a preacher since 1914
and has served pastorates in Mis-
sissippi. Since 1920 he has been
professor of religious education at
the Southern Baptist Theological
Seminary.

The books contains 465 pages
and sells for \$3.75. Orders should
be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

—BR—

Send The Record To Unenlisted Baptists

Several churches that have the
EVERY FAMILY plan of the Bap-
tist Record have also added to their
list the names of nearby Baptists
who have not yet moved their
membership. They hope that this
friendly gesture will help enlist
these unaffiliated Baptists in the
work of the local church.

We commend this plan. We be-
lieve that if all our town and city
churches were to do this, many of
these Baptists who "don't want to
leave the old home church" would
change their minds and line-up
with the local church.

At least, we should do more than
complain because some folks don't
move their membership.

—BR—

Pray--Don't Blow

In one of the Baptist State
papers the following clipping
brought out some worthy thoughts
from the pen of the Editor of a
Daily Paper:

The St. Louis Dispatch recently re-
marked editorially: When motorists
are caught in traffic tieups, a min-
ute's prayer is better than horn honk-
ing . . . There are, we grant you,
times in any life when a toot of the
horn is indicated. Perhaps even a good
solid blast. But how few those times!
How often horns are blown because
the driver simply got fussed and didn't
know what to do with his head! . . .
Most horn-blowing, in fact seems to
spring not so much from anything in
the occasion as from something in
the horn-blower, a feeling we suppose,
of inadequacy, which only a loud
noise will compensate for . . . We look
to see the day when people who like
to blow automobile horns will be en-
couraged to gather regularly at some
spot remote from nonhorn-blowing
mankind, and there blow at each other
to their heart's content; after which,
having got it out of their system, they
can come back into traffic, adequate
and self possessed, and the rest of us

can have some peace and quiet.

This Editor could also have said,
while they were holding their
horn-blowing convention, they
could be giving each other various
types of "dirty looks" like they
give to the public in heavy traffic!
Let us hope no child of God is
quilty of such conduct as we
witness in traffic sometimes.

—BR—

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we
consider one of the best editorials
coming to our attention.—Editor

Sunday Night

By W. F. Powell,

First Baptist Church, Nashville

Is there a more pagan picture of
our present age than the appalling
disregard professing Christians openly
manifest for that blessed evening of
the week on which our risen Lord
showed Himself to the dismayed disci-
ples assembled in the upper room? The
Saviour arose from the grave on Sun-
day morning, but He appeared at the
meeting of the saints on Sunday night.
Thomas, the Doubter, missed that first
Sunday night, but he made a point of
being present the following Sunday
night and Lord Jesus showed Himself
at this meeting, too, and cleared up
the fears and forebodings of His
doubting disciple so that he was no
longer "faithless but believing." The
risen Lord established the Sunday
night service. He employed it that
puzzled believers might behold Him
the Conqueror of death and the grave,
that timid disciples might be em-
powered, that His mission might be-
come the mission of those who bear
His Name, that doubters might know,
and that others yet to believe might
be assured of a blessing, too. To the
extent that the Lord set His seal upon
the Sunday night service by His re-
peated presence after His resurrec-
tion and before His ascension, and the
use He made of these meetings, the
Sunday night service has the Saviour's
sanction in a way that the Sunday
morning service cannot claim. Not
that it is more Scriptural or more im-
portant than the morning church ser-
vice, for Pentecost was a morning ser-
vice, but because of its marvelous
meaningful and sacredly beautiful
beginning, as seen above, the Sunday
night service is Divinely unique.

And the Sunday night service should
be unique. It is not just another
church service—a repetition of the
morning hour of worship. It invests
itself with an eager cordiality. It in-
spires hearty and spontaneous praise
in song and prayer. It blesses an en-
listed attendance. Thomas came be-
cause of the work of a Sunday night
promotional group. Some of the dis-
ciples had missed him. They looked
him up and told him about the meet-
ing and the presence of the Lord and
persuaded him, in spite of his doubts,
to come the following Sunday night.
The Sunday night service encourages
a personal invitation, strengthens
wavering faith, and affords opportu-
nity to know Jesus for one's self. That
is the business of the Sunday night
service. It saves people from some-
thing. People are going to do some-
thing on Sunday night. Many are go-
ing to some place on Sunday night.
Think of the things so many are do-
ing. Think of the places so many are
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GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

FLORA

In company with State Brotherhood Secretary, W. R. Roberts, I attended the Madison County Associational Brotherhood meeting at Flora on the night of March 15.

Pastor O. B. Beverly, Robert Crisler, Brotherhood president, and all of the Flora Brotherhood had made unusual preparations for the meeting. A part of the preparations was a half barbecued chicken for each guest with all needful trimmings. All in attendance left "too full for utterance."

All the Brotherhoods reported increasing interest and one reported a fifty per cent increase in membership.

Flora Church is making pleasing progress under the leadership of Pastor Beverly. The most recent addition to the church plant is an organ with chimes.

Record readers in Madison County are now listed as follows: Camden 23; Canton, First 298; Canton, Center Terrace 96; Farmhaven 23; Flora 50; Good Hope 13; Lula 23; Madison 28; Lone Pine 11; Ridgeland 10.

UNION HALL IS NUMBER 903

Union Hall, Lincoln County is number 903 in the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. Rev. Edwin Burns is pastor.

Record readers in Lincoln County are now listed as follows: Arlington 22; Bethel 23; Big Springs 18; Bogue Chitto 47; Brookhaven, First, 574; Clear Branch 22; Fair River 48; Fairview 1; Friendship 54; Gum Grove 41; Heucks Retreat 48; Holly Springs 19; Little Bahala 1; Macedonia 125; Mission Hill 25; Montgomery 49; Moak's Creek 72; Mt. Moriah 66; Mt. Pleasant 58; Mt. Zion 7; New Prospect 55; New Sight 49; Pearl Haven 47; Philadelphia 19; Pleasant Grove 67; Pleasant Hill 45; Providence 1; Ruth 35; Shady Grove 1; Union 3; Union Hall 39; and Wellman 65.

YOUNG IS HARD TO STOP

Even hospitals, operations, and sickness do not stop some pastors. They merely slow them up.

For instance, in a recent letter from Rev. P. H. Young, pastor of Hamburg Church in Franklin County, he writes: "I am in Foundation Hospital in New Orleans and have had an operation. I am getting along fine and am on the road to recovery and hope to be at home soon."

My being here accounts for the delay in getting in the inclosed subscription list." (Editor's note: Some folks who are well and not in the hospital need to read the above lines.)

OLD MONTPELIER

Old Montpelier Church in Clay County continues to believe in the Baptist Record. A year ago they adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan with the understanding that they would try it a year.

A recent letter from Mrs. Elliott Hodnett, treasurer, asked that it be continued. They also added some new names.

Clay County now has Record readers as follows: Cedar Bluff 16; Enon 12; Hebron 10; New Montpelier 21; Pheba 33; Pine Bluff 10; West Point, First 153; West Point, West End 34; and Old Montpelier 23.

Memorial Chimes Installed In Clinton Church

Clinton, March 15—Memorial Chimes have just been installed in the Clinton Baptist Church and were dedicated at the morning service Sunday March 14th. The Rev. Nolan M. Kennedy, pastor was in charge of the dedication and Mrs. Grace M. Elsey presided at the pipe organ.

The Mass Chimes were installed by Rive and Rive of New Orleans and are arranged so the amplifiers can be attached if the church should decide outside to have the amplification for outside use. At the present the chimes will be used inside only as an addition to the pipe organ.

Funds for the purchase and installation of the chimes were raised by popular subscription.

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ITALIAN EMBASSY GETS PROTEST ON PROTESTANTS

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—Formal protest against alleged persecution of Protestant minorities in Italy was lodged with the Italian embassy here by an American Protestant group headed by the Rev. Frank B. Gigliotti, an official of Citizens United for Religious Emancipation.

The protest claimed that alleged Roman Catholic-inspired anti-Protestant attacks had already "disturbed and seriously clouded relationships" between the Italian and American peoples.

Citing a recent attack on a Pentecostal open air meeting near Rome, the protest declared that "we have reached the end of our patience."

—BR—

Leakesville Adds Deacons

Leakesville Church recently ordained seven deacons during an impressive ordination service in which deacons and pastors from other churches in the county participated. Rev. Orman Knight, pastor at Sand Hill, delivered the charge and Rev. C. B. Saucier, pastor at West Salem, preached the ordination sermon.

The following men were ordained to the diaconry: A. F. Cook, Johnnie Fike, Allen Barnes, J. E. Brannon, Will Jacobs, Jr., Alvin Clark Maples, and Joe Carpenter. Rev. M. E. Perry is pastor.

—BR—

SELECTED EDITORIAL

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going. The Sunday night service gives us the best thing to do and the best place to go. And it saves people for something. The disciples met the risen Lord at the first resurrection, Sunday night service. They were the first to hear Him say: "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." And they were completely transformed in that one service. Life became a crusade, death a triumph, and the grave a vestibule to glory. Nothing previously dreaded mattered any more. Only one ruling passion now: to glorify Him and to make His salvation known to all men. It was easy to pray, and to love, and to witness for Him now. It was even easy to die for Him—the Christ of that Sunday night!

It is not true that after all our real trouble in the world today is that we have lost what they found that Sunday night? And is it not time for us to set about recovering it for ourselves and then help others find it, too? Should we not seek it where they found it?—Southwide Baptist Digest.



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EVANGELISM SUPERINTENDENT



DR. C. E. MATTHEWS

Dr. C. E. Matthews, Superintendent, Department of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, is to speak at the State Brotherhood Convention, April 1-2, First Church, Jackson. Dr. Matthews is to bring a message on the closing evening, April 2, on evangelism. Dr. Matthews has just come to the Home Mission Board as Superintendent of Evangelism from a similar work in Texas. Prior to that time he was pastor for many years of the Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas; and that church led for a number of years all other churches in the Southern Baptist Convention in the number of baptisms. The Brotherhood is most fortunate in securing him for this address.

Luther Harrison's Last Message to Brotherhood Quartets

Below we are reproducing a form letter written to all Brotherhood Quartets (over 100), dated March 4, by the beloved Luther Harrison. Surely he meant as much to the Brotherhood movement as anyone individual. We trust that every Brotherhood Quartet will heed this last call from him. This was the last form letter he got out to anyone.

"Dear Friend:

"Special music by the Brotherhood Quartets of the state is being featured on the last evening of the Brotherhood Convention this year.

"This is an invitation to your men's

Featured Speaker



DR. J. D. GREY

Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, is to be the featured speaker for the Brotherhood Convention, April 1-2, First Church, Jackson. Dr. Grey needs no introduction to Mississippi men. He is one of the most dynamic speakers among Southern Baptists. Doubtless he has no superior when it comes to his appeal to men.

Dr. Grey is bringing three addresses. The first address is to be on Thursday night, April 1; the second, Friday morning, April 2; and the third, Friday evening, April 2.

quartet and any of the other men in your church who would be interested in joining the group to sing. If it is impossible for all of your group to come, send as many as can come, because all of the men will join to make a great Men's Chorus.

The numbers you are to work on are 52, 61, 46 and 47 in Coleman's "Quartets for Men." There will be two rehearsals, one in the afternoon at 4:30 and another one that night at 7:00.

The date is Friday, April 2; the place is First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

We will be expecting you and your group and are anticipating a great time together.

Yours for a Great Men's Chorus,
LUTHER A. HARRISON"

Zeno Wells Accepts East Moss Point

Rev. Zeno Wells has accepted the pastorate of East Moss Point Church. He succeeded Rev. Montie A. Davis, who recently became pastor at Brandon.

Mr. Wells is a graduate of Mississippi College and of the New Orleans Baptist Seminary. The East Moss Point field offers a challenging opportunity.

—BR—

HOUSTON, Tex. —(RNS)—Houston's city council was rapped soundly here by the Houston Baptist Pastors' Conference for its refusal to allow the Baptist churches to suspend banners across the city's main street to advertise revivals, although the city granted the Houston Fat Stock Show a similar right.

Amish Mother Turns Down Gifts

WOOSTER, O. —(RNS)—Amish restrictions have caused no end of embarrassment to the Wooster Record here.

For years it has been the practice of the newspaper to solicit gifts for the mother of the first baby born in the city each year.

This year the merchants offered free photographs for mother and baby, numerous electrical gadgets and beauty parlor treatments.

The trouble developed when the first baby was born to Mrs. Joseph Hershberger, an Amish mother from the nearby Apple Creek Community.

Called to accept the gifts, Mrs. Hershberger told the officials in charge she couldn't accept them because she—and other members of her sect—consider photographs a sin, frown on beauty parlors and will have nothing to do with "new fangled" electrical devices.

Now the committee wonders what gifts it can select to replace those that have been turned down by the mother of the first child born in the city in 1948.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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February Standards

The following units became standard during the month of February:

Departments: Nursery, Crystal Springs, Department 4, Mrs. Myron Thompson, superintendent; Primary, Parkway Jackson, Department 2, Mrs. O. J. Dear; Junior, McComb First, Mr. E. O. Murrell; Junior, Liberty, Mrs. Leroy Tumey; Junior, Van Winkle Jackson, Mrs. E. E. Parker; Intermediate, Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue, Mrs. W. A. Moody.

Classes: Junior — Jackson Van Winkle, Bible Readers, Mrs. W. F. Coleman, teacher; Willing Workers, Mrs. T. J. Temple; Biloxi First, 11 B Girls, Mrs. J. D. Denham; Doers of The Word, Mrs. John H. Hurst; McComb First, Light Bearers, Mr. J. L. Pigott; Good Workers, Mrs. Enoch J. Williams; Loyal Soldiers, Mr. Enoch J. Williams; Hattiesburg First, Busy Bees, Mr. H. W. Myers; Grace and Grit, Miss Thelma Bradley; Ideal, Intermediate, Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue, Mrs. S. W. Smith; Ruth, Young People, Salem, Mrs. George Rogers; Friendship, Adult, Rolling Fork, Mrs. Van Hardin; Dorcas, Adult, Brookhaven, Mrs. H. H. Ward; Fideles, Adult, Parkway Jackson, Mrs. A. V. Prather; Willing Workers, Young People, Second Avenue Laurel, Mrs. Albert Campbell.

Schools: Lucedale, Dr. Fred B. Moseley, pastor, Mr. Tom S. Doty, superintendent; New Hope (In Sunflower), Dr. C. S. Thomas, pastor, Mr. J. L. Harris, superintendent.

We are certainly grateful to the leaders of all these units for the good work they have done in attaining this high rating in their work.

Remember, Standard units are better units!

Training Pays Off

One fine educational director in the state says, "Our training program is coming along in a fine way. We are not only laying up a good amount of awards, but it is really doing the job. Gradually I can see some of our problems begin clearing up in certain classes and departments because our folk are finding the answers to these problems in a study program."

Yes, training really helps build bigger and better schools. We cannot have better schools without a definite training program to keep all of us informed as to the best ways to do it.

So, plan for training in your church every year.

Bible Summary Helpful

We are grateful for this good word from Mr. C. C. Prescott, of Laurel: "I want to tell you how I appreciate my book by you, 'A Bible Summary for Busy People.' Truly that is rightly dividing the Word of Truth. Since I am teaching Adult men, I shall endeavor to get each one to get a copy for himself."

We appreciate this, and am glad if the book is helpful in Bible study and teaching. That was the only reason why it was written.

April Training

The April Training emphasis is Evangelism.

That is certainly right, and we sincerely hope that hundreds of churches will plan for a great week of training in April, using one of the books on Evangelism.

A leaflet on this is being mailed from the Nashville office to all the churches.

—BR—

Scooba Honors Daniels Who Goes To Mars Hill



REV. C. O. DANIELS

After serving for 38 months with signal success as pastor of the Scooba Baptist church, Rev. C. O. Daniels has resigned to accept the Mars Hill church. Before entering the chaplaincy he was located at Scooba for 18 months, and was recalled to serve again after the war was ended. When the other churches in Scooba learned the Baptists were planning to honor their departing pastor, they asked to share in the event, and it developed into a community wide affair. On the last Wednesday evening the Daniels family was in Scooba all the churches came together and Rev. L. S. Gaddy, pastor of the Methodist church, on behalf of all the churches, presented them with eight place settings of Sterling silver. In addition, Mrs. Cora Byrd, for the ladies, gave Mrs. Daniels a set of crystal. The church also gave them their salary for March, in full, as a small token of their appreciation of the wholehearted efforts and tireless work of this couple. Their young son, John Owens, was praised by the people for his great interest in the important things of life, in a special way.

The Scooba people believed in Pastor and Mrs. Daniels, and honored them for their interest in the entire association, where he was moderator, as well as in the local church. Mrs. Daniels' work was praised in the realms of the W.M.U., B.T.U. and the music where she has given fully of her great talents and with much success. They declare she is a great helper as a pastor's wife. They are recommended to Mars Hill as "second to none." The work he did as teacher of Bible in the Junior College was outstanding.

The Scooba church has made many improvements under his leadership, including installing butane gas in the property, increased gifts to the cooperative program, adding the Every Family Plan of the Baptist Record and the establishing of a church nursery.

Rev. Daniels is a graduate of the New Orleans Seminary and Mississippi



BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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WE MISS HIM

We miss Luther Harrison—his enthusiastic and contagious Christian spirit, his neatly attractive appearance, his wholesome good humor, his friendliness, his ability to get people to forget themselves and sing of God! Yes, we miss him, but we are thankful that the Lord allowed him to live and to minister in the name of Christ for these years.

POTPOURRI

Betty Gail Clarke Cotton writes from her home in Pittsburgh, Pa., a very much appreciated letter about herself and Frank. They are members of 1st Baptist Ch. there; their pastor is a Sou. Bapt. from Ala.; they are affiliated with the Roger Williams Fellowship (which is similar to BSU), and so on. Her address: 314 West St., Pittsburgh 21, Pa. . . Jones Jr.'s Life Service Band is sponsoring a noon-day prayer meeting at the Jr. Hi School, Ellisville, and other BSUs are still putting on programs in the churches of Jones Co. . . At Woman's College morning watch, only the organ is played for 15 minutes. There are no speeches or public prayers, but the students spend the time in silent prayer and meditation. We like that and

believe we need more of this instead of the other. . . An attractive booklet entitled "The Rebirth of Alcorn A. & M. College" has been received. . . Miss Leavell, of Ole Miss, writes that for the first time, registration of church info has been included in the Univ. registration. . . Election of new Executive Council members should take place before our State Retreat for BSU Officers at Woman's College, April 23-24. . . The BSU has a regular column in the school paper, The Sunflower (Jr. College) Petals, writes Carla Allbritton. . . Did you read about the "Ship Ahoy Party," written by our new Student Sec'y at Pearl River Jr., Dora Etta Solomon, and appearing in the Feb. Training Union Mag.? And, of course, you noticed with pleasure and profit the article by Mary Ruth Johnson, of Blue Mt., in the March Baptist Student. . . Loretta Nichols is the new BSU President at Hinds Jr. . . Ridgecrest info will be published soon. . .

—BR—

Judge Tatum of the Juvenile Court of Nashville testified that of 2,700 boys and girls who had tangled with his court, only seven had a record of Sunday school attendance, and five of these were acquitted. — Mrs. J. E. Lambdin in The Sunday School Builder.

Minister Challenges N. M. Governor On Dixon Issue

Laws Against Sectarian Teaching Should Not Be Winked At

TAOS, N. M. —(RNS)— The Rev. J. Paul Stevens, pastor of the Presbyterian church here, released a copy of a letter to Gov. Thomas J. Mabry in which he challenged the chief executive's recent statement concerning the controversy over employment of Catholic nuns in a public school at nearby Dixon.

The minister took objection to Governor Mabry's assertion that some persons outside New Mexico were more concerned over the matter than those in the state, and said the governor had "omitted and excluded" information pertinent to the subject.

"Possibly you are unaware that quite a number of people in New Mexico are vitally concerned with the issue, and they have not felt they were doing wrong to interest others outside the state," Stevens wrote.

"Basically the Dixon problem is . . . one preserving that . . . principle of the separation of the Church and State, for the ultimate protection of all religious groups. . ."

Stevens contended that a "Catholic nun is, by virtue of her vows and obligations, ineligible to teach in the public schools." He took issue with Governor Mabry's statement that the Roman Catholic Church "was the only organization which provided education for the scattered population" in "out-of-the-way places."

pi College, and is admirably fitted to lead the Mars Hill people in a progressive program in the days ahead. The young son will join his parents when school closes in the spring, remaining at school to complete the years work

The minister referred to schools conducted by the "Methodist, Congregational, Presbyterian, United Brethren and other churches" and explained:

"Since 1870 the Presbyterian Church has operated out of its own funds school in 43 of the Spanish villages of New Mexico. . . When the public school was of good standard, the Church withdrew its mission school. . . The other denominations mentioned have rendered similar noteworthy service in the state, and I feel sure that none of them ever attempted to continue their mission schools under the guise of public schools supported from state funds."

"When there are state laws against sectarian teaching in the public schools," Stevens concluded, "and they are 'winked at' by state officials, when representative citizens with just complaints and qualified evidence are turned away unheard by the very boards that exist to administer the laws. . . , while the Church whose teaching servants are alleged to have been at fault has the open ear of that same board—than I beg to ask you, sir—just where are we at this point?"

—BR—

Rev. H. C. Clower of Lacombe, Louisiana has been called as pastor of the Gillsburg Church, Amite County. Mr. Clower is a native of Copiah County, a graduate of Mississippi College, and formerly served as associational missionary in Bolivar County.

On Friday night, March 5, the Belhaven B. S. U. gave a scavenger hunt. All the girls had a delightful time searching through the neighborhood for various objects. Refreshments were served at the close of the hunt.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28, IS CLARKE COLLEGE DAY

We believe in the mission and message of our Mississippi Baptist churches and institutions! We realize that we go forward when we go together. We appreciate the harmony and spirituality in our Mississippi Baptist life that has helped carry us to new heights these years. "We are workers together with God." II Cor. 6:1. With our men, money, and materials, we believe our Mississippi Baptist life has many unreached possibilities. We are 336,000 in number with 1,556 churches, 800 pastors, and 7 or more institutions.

We challenge Mississippi Baptists to do their best in the Clarke College offering Sunday, March 28.

Baptist Foundation

Give To Clarke College

Baptist Orphanage

The children and staff of the Baptist Orphanage are united in prayer and effort for the success of the campaign for Clarke Memorial College. We urge all Mississippi Baptists to cooperate in like manner.

The Baptist Hospital

Endorses contributions to the Clarke Memorial College Campaign as the God given privilege and opportunity of every Baptist person.

Mississippi College

Give To Clarke College

Blue Mountain College

Undoubtedly Clarke Memorial College is doing a work which no other institution in the state can do. Let's all support it in this present campaign.

Miss. Woman's College

Adoniram Judson once said "to help foreign missions, help your small denominational college." Christian education is the best mission method, for without trained leaders missions fail. Let's come to the aid of a great school, great in her mission for missions; relieve her noble President of a burden too heavy for one, and make possible a greater work in behalf of a group of young people who cannot be served without Clarke. THIS IS CLARKE'S TIME! MAKE VICTORY COMPLETE! OBSERVE THE 28TH!

SUNDAY, MARCH 28, IS CLARKE COLLEGE DAY

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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FOUR SQUARE

"Four things a man must do,
If he would make his record true:
To think without confusion clearly;
To love his fellow man sincerely;
To act from honest motives purely,
And trust in God and heaven securely."
—Henry Van Dyke.

The above "Four Square" is truly applicable to Training Union members. You do not arrive at virtues like the above without study and training crowned by practice.

In Mississippi we issued 1,016 study course awards in February, and if you remember we had a little bad weather! The Lord's work must go on though, and congratulations to the churches who carry right on regardless.

In February there were 22 new unions organized in Mississippi. 5 Junior, 5 Intermediate, 5 Young People's and 7 Adult unions. No doubt there were others that did not report.

Twenty three associations received awards during the month of February, Columbus, Covington, Greene, Hinds, Warren, Jeff Davis, Lawrence, Lebanon, Lee, LeFlore, Lincoln, Mississippi, Neshoba, Newton, Panola, Perry, Pearl River, Pike, Simpson, Sunflower, Tate, Walthall, Yazoo.

WINONA JUNIORS GROWING

Thanks to Mrs. A. L. Bamberg, Leader of the Junior Union of the Winona Baptist Church for good report on the progress the union is making. They have thirty now in their membership. Leaflets for the officers have been secured and they hope to make their union standard soon.

WARREN CO. ASSOCIATION 100%

Warren Association, the newest in the state, having been a part of Hinds-Warren association through the years, with seven churches decided last fall to set up their own association of Warren Co. They employed Rev. Phil Walker as their Associational Missionary, and have been promoting a progressive program in the interest of every phase of the work. Two weeks ago they had the visitation program for Training Union. All churches were visited and a two hour conference held. The only church in the association that did not have a Training Union was organized thus making the association 100% in that important feature. We congratulate the entire personnel in the association and shall watch, with interest, future developments.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROMOTES PRACTICAL PROGRAM

The department of Religious Education at Mississippi College, under the direction of Mr. Norman O'Neal is promoting a practical program. In addition to studying the books on the subject of Church Administration, the members of the classes are carried to some good church occasionally to observe the work of the church. Recently a large group spent the day with the Salem Baptist Church in Covington Co. one of our very best rural churches. Here they observed

the work of the Sunday School, Training Union, and morning and evening preaching services. What better way to learn than that?

SCHEDULE FOR THE DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

The time for the District Convention will soon be here—JUNE, JUNE, JUNE. We look forward to this annual affair, which carries us all over the state, with eager anticipation. This year the schedule will be as follows:

DATE	DISTRICT	PLACE
June 7	Five	New Albany
8	Six	Wheeler
9	Seven	Okolona
10	Eight	Macon
11	Eleven	41st Meridian
14	Twelve	Waynesboro
15	Thirteen	Picayune
16	Fourteen	Goss
17	Fifteen	Brookhaven
18	One	Van Winkle
21	Ten	Raleigh
22	Nine	1st Canton
23	Three	1st Greenwood
24	Two	Skene
25	Four	Marks

POPLAR SPRINGS MERITS HONORABLE MENTION

Thanks to Mrs. R. S. Van Devender, Director of the Poplar Springs church Meridian for a good report of their work for last quarter. The union was almost standard as a whole and in many points went beyond the standard requirements. Mrs. Van Devender said "I have never seen a group of people work as hard, and they say it is the best record in the history of the church." This is the spirit that wins and we congratulate this church and union on its splendid achievements.

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It Was A Mistake

By W. R. Roberts, Secretary Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Department

It was my privilege to enter Clarke College in the spring of 1930 with the expectation of finishing my junior college work in that great institution. A short time after entering the school we students were advised that Mississippi Baptists had decided to withdraw their support from the institution. In other words, we were told that Clarke College was dead. The 18 years that have elapsed since that dark hour have caused many of us to wonder what actually did die at that time. Surely it was not Clarke College. I do not believe that the corpse has been properly identified. Clarke College lives on, and it is my opinion that Mississippi Baptists in 1948 will really give it a new lease on life.

(Editor's Note W. R. Roberts, one of the most popular laymen in Mississippi, former educator, was a student at Clarke when it was announced it was "dead." It was a mistake as the large student body and fine faculty proves today. Many share Mr. Roberts' expressed opinion regarding what Baptists will do for the school.)

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First Church, Union, continues to grow as evidenced by the fact that the pastor, Rev. John I. Hill recently sent an additional list of 17 names for the EVERY FAMILY List of that church.

Sparks & Splinters

Average salary of the full-time churches in the Southern Baptist Convention for 1947 was \$2,636, a 5.2 per cent gain for the year. The half-time churches jumped the amount they paid 29.7 per cent to reach \$677, and the quarter-time churches raised their salaries 27.5 to reach \$366.

A W.M.S. has recently been organized at Gunnison. The ladies started with 16 members and prospects of others. The meetings are held twice each month at 3:45 o'clock in the Gunnison Baptist church. The following are officers: Mrs. T. M. Milling, president; Mrs. J. E. Bobo, vice president; Mrs. Edward Harris, program chairman; Mrs. H. L. Cockerham, community missions chairman; Mrs. J. D. Whittington, mission study chairman; Mrs. W. H. Arnold, stewardship chairman and Mrs. Ira D. Fowler, secretary and treasurer. Mrs. D. R. Bowen assisted in the organization.

A Youth Revival will be held in the Belzoni Baptist Church March 29-April 4. Four students from Mississippi College will compose the evangelistic team as follows: Wayne Coleman, Bobby Simmons, Billy Day, and Pete Evans. Youth leaders for the various positions of the church have been selected from the local young people, and are planning all activities of the week. A cordial invitation is extended to people in the surrounding counties to attend these services. Both morning and evening services will begin at 7:30 o'clock. Pastor C. A. Molpus and Miss Annette Horne, educational director are leading in plans.

Total receipts for Southwide causes through the Executive Committee reached \$2,293,227.96, for the first two months of 1948 compared with \$1,796,677.56 for the same period in 1947.

Miss Elizabeth Purser, head of the Department of Speech Arts at Blue Mountain College, has released the dates of some of her senior speech recitals. She will present Geraldine Lackey, Calhoun City, Mar. 20; Allen Sugg, Beltonfontaine, Apr. 3; Jean Stinson, Old Hickory, Tenn., Apr. 17; Billye Jewell Carnell, New Albany, Apr. 26; and Marjorie Ray, Falkner, May 8.

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Recent visitors in the office of the Baptist Record are as follows: Rev. and Mrs. B. L. McKee, Gallman; Howard Luna, Walnut; Mrs. Ray Womack, Jackson; W. J. Cutrer, McComb; Miss Lois Privett, Shreveport; E. V. Taylor, Philadelphia; J. D. Land, Philadelphia; Rev. R. A. Hancock, Clinton; Mrs. H. A. Borah, Sturgis; Mrs. C. U. Oswald, Sturgis; Mackie Davis, Lucedale; T. T. Gooch, Oakland; Rev. J. Harold Jones, Picayune; Mrs. D. M. Metts, Maben; Rev. and Mrs. Phil J. Walker; Mrs. Julie Belue, McComb; Horace Headrick, Laurel; Rev. M. E. Perry, Leaksville; Rev. Robert Martin, Benton; Rev. L. G. Samsing, Booneville; Rev. H. J. Rushing, Laurel; Rev. W. A. Roper, Meridian; Mrs. Pursed Moody, Morton; Sam J. Wilder, Columbus; Rev. J. E. Burnette, Lexington; Rev. W. Lowrey Compere, Jackson; Rev. H. M. Collins, Houston; Rev. John A. Leland, Jacksonville.

Winona: Sunday, February 15, by secret ballot, the First Church, Winona, started the rotation plan of deacons. The following men were elected for a three year term: M. C. Billingsley, E. A. Hammond, E. M. James, Sr., W. D. Trewolla; for a two year term, O. D. Brent, E. W. Eubank, S. F. Harwood, A. H. Wynn; for a one year term, W. E. Craft, H. O. Hammond, B. F. Heath, and L. E. Townsend. On Sunday, February 22, Brother S. F. Harwood was ordained as a deacon. The Sunday School workers set the 5th Sunday of February for an all-out visitation effort. Their goal was to make at least 600 visits on that afternoon. Final tabulation has not yet been made, but present reports are over the 700 mark.

The Baptist Record appreciates the nice list of new and renewal subscriptions for Pine Grove Church of Simpson County. The list was sent by Mrs. L. C. Ates.

Rev. L. W. Stanger Accepts Pastorate At Walnut



REV. LOUIS WARD STANGER

Rev. Louis Ward Stanger, formerly of the Morganfield Baptist Church, Morganfield, Kentucky, has recently accepted the pastorate of the Walnut Church and moved on the field. Mrs. Stanger, and their two daughters, Janet Lee and Nancy Ray, comprise the family group.

Mr. Stanger's former pastorates include ministries at Greensburg and Carrollton, Kentucky. He has served as pianist for the Sunday School and Training Union state conventions at Clear Creek Springs, near Pineville, Kentucky, and as president of the Ohio Valley Pastor's Conference.

Mr. Stanger is a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of Louisville, Kentucky, and completed studies at Michigan.

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March has been designated as Young People's Month at the Second Avenue Church, Laurel. In the last few months, the Young People's Department has made remarkable progress. The average attendance has increased from 24 to 70, and the department leaders declared that it is going even higher than that.

Mississippi contributed a total of \$68,754 for southwide causes during the month of February, according to a report released by Dr. Duke McCall, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee. Of this amount, \$38,749 was designated.

Rehobeth Church, Rankin County, was dedicated on March 7. J. L. Watts, treasurer, writes that the best part of it all is that the church is debt free. Rev. R. M. Williams is the pastor.

Correction: Because of a typographical error, First Church, Ellisville was credited with 83 pounds of clothing sent to European Relief. It should have been 833 pounds.

There were more than 700 professions of Faith and of rededications and transfers of membership in the recent two-weeks revival in Lima, Ohio which was led by Evangelist Hyman J. Appleman.

Shuqualak: One of the most successful Schools of Music held in this section in some time was conducted the week of March 7-12 in this church. In charge of the School was Robert Cooper of Aberdeen, widely-known singer and musician. Attendance averaged 64 for the week and interest was manifested right up to the end Friday night.—Joe Abrams, Pastor.

Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Rev. J. E. Barnes, pastor, continues to add to the EVERY FAMILY list as new members are received. Fifteen additional names came a few days ago.

Eighteen additional names recently have been added to the EVERY FAMILY list of Pleasant Hill Church in Simpson County.

Salem Church, Hinds County, Rev. R. L. Wallace, pastor is a faithful friend of the Baptist Record. They recently sent a renewal list for the year 1948.

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y. — Miss Nell Taylor



Miss Alberta Steward, Brazil

Miss Alberta Steward has served for two terms of service as a Missionary of Southern Baptists in Brazil. She went to Brazil in Charge of the Domestic Arts School in Bahia. After serving there for several years she worked in one of our interior cities, and for the past 3 years has served in the Training School for girls connected with the Baptist Seminary in Recife, Brazil. Miss Steward is a native Missourian, having served as Educational Director in Calvary Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo. prior to her appointment. Miss Steward will also be a guest of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union during the W.M.S. week at Camp Caraywa, July 6-10 this summer.

Apartado Aereo 862
Barranquilla, Columbia
February 6, 1948

Hello!

We have arrived in our city and have spent a night in our very own Colombian home, have tasted (rather timidly) some of the rare fruits, enjoyed the constant breeze from the ocean, and rejoiced that we don't have to spend the next three years in the "Santa Sofia," as it plays its way through the Caribbean.

Our trip was nothing short of "hctic"—every other passenger said as much. As soon as we docked in Cartagena, Columbia, all of those who could, left the ship and motored to Barranquilla instead of spending another night on board. One of the women in the stateroom next to us was tossed out of her bed, landed in the middle of the room with her mattress on top of her. Her husband tried to go to her rescue, but was thrown back across the room and injured his back rather severely.

To persuade people here that we were in sub zero weather across Texas and into New York is almost impossible, when all of our weather is so very warm (though they tell us that this is the "cool season.") Everyone had written about the beautiful flowers, and one marvels at their colors, variety, and fragrance. All of this beauty is in such stark contrast to the drabness, the dirt, and the depravity of the people who are not among the fortunate who have an income sufficient to be able to clothe, feed and shelter themselves. These groups are not segregated, as we find them in most of the cities of the south, but one side of the street will find a row of huts of misery, and on the other side,

there will be a modern apartment building, housing people of means and distinction.

We have been blessed far above anything we could have ever deserved. When I tell you that our apartment was ready for us when we arrived, and that four missionaries and a number of national Christians met us at the docks, and that we suffered not too many "set-backs" in customs, and that one of our neighbors is a Floridian whose husband is the telephone official in this city, you will say, "haven't they been lucky?" but, we will say, "This is just another indication to us that, all things work together for good. . . for those who love the Lord, and for those who are called according to His purposes." You will be interested in our apartment. We have a very typical "Southern American" building in which we live. We walk a busy street, and between a drugstore, and a cafe, there is a big gate with a guard standing by most of the time. We turn into an open court, with a fountain in the middle around which tropical plants, palms, etc. are growing. Around this large court, the apartments are built, each one with two floors. Ours for instance, has a large living room, dining room, patio — in the back, and cooking quarters. I say the latter instead of a kitchen to keep from being misleading. The idea of a modern, efficient place for food preparation and preservation just hasn't "caught on" here, they tell me. I must learn to be a pioneer in the kitchen. Ours is so small, I am wondering who could squeeze into it with me after our stove is installed. — to say nothing of the cabinet and other "strange" gadgets that seemed necessary in

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

Luther Harrison was loved by all of us at Blue Mountain College who knew him. He was doing an excellent piece of work in his capacity as State Music Director. Our sympathy is with his loved ones in their sorrow.

A better choice than Dr. Merrill D. Moore for Director of Promotion and Associate Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee could not have been made. His inherent ability, his effectiveness, and his all-inclusive denominational interest eminently fit him for these important offices. He is the brother of Mrs. G. M. Baggett (Frances Moore), who graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1939.

Nell Elizabeth Newton, Isola, was born February 29, several years ago. When she is forty-five years of age, she can truthfully tell anyone who might ask, "How old are you?" that she has not reached her thirtieth birthday.

More Resolutions On Liquor Question

Resolutions urging repeal of the Black Market Tax and retention of the prohibition laws have been received from the Courtland Church. The resolutions also urged that legislation be passed that will strengthen and help to enforce our prohibition laws. The resolutions were unanimously adopted by the church and signed by the following committee: Rev. Charles Everett, pastor; Claud Lazenby; Luther S. Faulkner, deacon; and Miss Anna Woodruff, clerk.

Newton. There are no "built-ins" in the house, but we do have one good-sized clothes closet. We have two large livable bedrooms upstairs, a nice balcony, and a bath complete without tub, hot water, or cabinets (again). All of the houses have showers, but no tubs. The floors are tile, the walls are plaster, and a minimum of wood is used for windows, doors, etc. Our floors are blocks of tile in rust-rose. Some of the places have such odd colors for the floors that they "jump at you." We are glad ours are quiet.

(Continued Next Week)

Prospect Reports Progress

Prospect Church in Perry County is making much progress since adopting a half time program.

The church speaks in highest terms of Pastor and Mrs. Byron E. Mathis. During Rev. Mathis' ministry of less than one year, there have been two revivals with several additions and a B.T.U. study course.

The building has been re-roofed and a Butane heating system has been installed.


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PILGRIMS REST ORDAINS DEACONS


Pilgrims Rest Church, Copiah County, recently increased its number of Deacons from 3 to 7. Assisting the pastor, Rev. Joe Walters of Clinton, in the ordination service which was held on February 22 were Rev. Wayne Todd of Daniel Church, Jackson, and Rev. M. D. Morton of First Church, Crystal Springs.

Three deacons, Troy Donohoe, Paul Armstrong, and Green Touchstone, were ordained. Carl Donohoe was elected to the deaconry but could not be ordained at that time because of illness.


"Please Help Clarke Memorial College"



"I am a Choctaw Indian girl student at Clarke College. I thank Mississippi Baptists so much for this great school. Please make this campaign a success!"



"Clarke College helps my Daddy preach Jesus. Please help Clarke College that other Daddies may be able to come here too!"



"I am an Eskimo preacher student from faraway Alaska. Clarke College is helping me prepare to take the story of Jesus to my people back home. Please help!"

A veritable shower of coin envelopes descended upon Mississippi Baptists this week. They are being used in the Clarke Memorial College Campaign for \$350,000. We have right at 350,000 Mississippi Baptists and so 350,000 envelopes were sent out. Every man, woman, boy and girl in Christ should do his and her part.

The above is an enlarged reproduction of the three appeals presented on each envelope. An Indian girl speaks, an Eskimo preacher enters his plea, the little daughter of a ministerial student family is holding forth a coin envelope in an upraised hand saying, "Please help Clarke College."

We believe that 350,000 Mississippi Baptists and their friends are going to help Clarke College in a great way these next days! Doxology!



Department of Church Music

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THE HARRISON FAMILY EXPRESS APPRECIATION

We, Charles, Wanda Jean, and I, would like to acknowledge the many expressions of sympathy from all Mississippi Baptists who were so thoughtful and kind during our recent sorrow. We want to express to all of you our sincere appreciation and love for your cards, letters, gifts, flowers, and many other remembrances. Our hearts are comforted by your spirit of love, friendship, and thoughtfulness in this hour.

SUMMER SCHOOLS OF MUSIC

Our summer field work program is getting underway with many requests coming in for summer schools of music. These schools run for five nights and the local church pays the teacher \$40 for each week's school. The Department of Church Music will take care of the necessary traveling expenses of the teachers.

These teachers teach the basic principles of music, beginner's conducting, sight-reading, choir organization and choir building using "Practical Music Lesson" book I as a textbook.

Plan your school of music now and send us your date and preference of teachers so we may place you on our summer schedule.

"Practical Music Lessons" Book I is available from this office for 40c to anyone who would like to study it

privately. We also have "Hymn Playing" for 40c and "Programs and Materials for Graded Choirs" for 50c. These books are in the new Church Music Training Course and you may receive credit for them on a Church Music Diploma.



MISS PATRICIA HICKS

Miss Patricia Hicks of Blue Mountain College will be one of our Summer Field Workers again this year. She is a very outstanding musician and will be used for the Master's service in a great way this summer.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTE

In the ad interim where pastors and churches would like to go through with present engagements made by Music Director Harrison, we will be happy to do our best in furnishing a good leader for this work.

Miss Pat Bailey, office secretary in that department, is writing letters as fast as possible to say that we expect to carry through plans with pastors and churches for special schools of Music where the help of other Music leaders had been secured.

Please join us in prayer about these and other related matters.

D. A. McCall

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Home Mission Summary for 1947

By John Caylor

The annual report of the Home Mission Board has been compiled. It reveals an interesting program of successful missionary endeavor.

The Missionaries

During the year there were some sixty replacements due to resignation, retirement, or death. Home Board missionaries serving in Guatemala and Honduras were transferred to the Foreign Mission Board, which took over the work in those Central American countries. The total number of missionaries is 720, three more than the number reported in 1946. Add 286 student summer workers to the number of full-time missionaries and the grand total will be 1006.

Evangelistic Results

The missionaries delivered 68,425 sermons and addresses, made 255,388 religious visits, contacted 55,270 persons in personal work, and reported 24,221 conversions with 12,814 addi-

tions to the churches. There was an average of 30 conversions for every full-time worker.

Literature

Missionaries of the Home Board distributed 52,651 Bibles and gospels, 1,125,132 pages of tracts, and taught 10,709 classes in mission study. They conducted 1,135 revivals.

Co-operative Missions

Approximately one-fifth of the budget of the Home Mission Board is spent in co-operation with state boards. The work of that department is reported by the states. A summary of such reports would be an interesting chapter in the year's achievements.

Missionary Education

In the field of missionary education, it is reported that 1,979 churches participated in schools of missions, using 227 speakers and conducting 2,718 classes, with a total participation in the schools of 749,155. Seventy-one home missionaries served in 98 camps in 17 states, and twenty-one missionaries were committed to serve in other programs of mission study.

Peak circulation for Southern Baptist Home Missions was 119,200; and 110,722 mission study books were circulated.

Two 16 mm. home mission films were released and nine new sets of slides. Projected pictures were ordered by 518 churches during 1947.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

On Friday evening at the Southern Baptist Convention, missionaries of the Home Board will tell of their experiences, and give something of a picture of their work among the unsaved millions in America.

Speakers

Among the speakers will be Miss Amelia Rappold, a product of the

Department of Temperance Activities

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Committee Day - May 30

The Southern Baptist Convention meeting in St. Louis last May proposed and endorsed a day of commitment throughout the convention, when the members of our churches will be asked to sign pledge charts making a commitment against the use of alcoholic beverages. This crusade was proposed because our leaders realized that liquor is the arch enemy of the church, the home, and society as a whole. It is one of the greatest barriers of evangelism. It is sapping the spiritual life of our churches.

An Opportunity

Every church should seize this opportunity, when on a given day all the churches are cooperating in this worthy cause, to lead as nearly as possible every member in the church to sign a commitment card. Drinking members in our churches bring reproach upon the cause and upon the church. The Christian's commitment is as follows:

"Because I love Jesus and want my life to count for Him, and because I know that Beverage Alcohol is the foe of spiritual living and the destroyer of everything dear to the heart of my Lord, I promise myself that I will not use Beverage Alcohol, and that I will

never sell, give, or serve it to others."

This is no more than should be expected of every member. Church membership should mean something. The Christian life has always meant separation from the world. In the church covenant we pledge:

"To abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage."

If every church in Mississippi will cooperate fully in this commitment day crusade, it will help to crystalize public opinion against the liquor traffic. God's people in our state are more keenly awake and interested in this subject now than they have been in a long time. A Christian commitment day in May therefore offers a wonderful opportunity to completely arouse our Baptist people to an all out campaign against this public menace. We need to make our state dry both legally and practically.

At the very out set of our work in this Department, a Baptist deacon in one of the largest churches in Mississippi said, "The place to begin in the liquor fight is with the deacons in the churches." It is no wonder that the spiritual life in our churches is at a low ebb when they have this sort of leadership.

Rachel Sims Mission in New Orleans where she now serves. In spite of the opposition and persecution of her Catholic family, Miss Rappold became a Christian, and is faithfully serving Southern Baptists in New Orleans, one of the strategic centers not only of this nation, but of the world.

Another colorful speaker will be Rev. Stanley Smith, a full blood Indian, who has led in great revival among the Seminole Indians in Florida. This Indian pastor has led his little church of 197 members into a titling campaign which includes every member but one in his entire congregation. Southern Baptists will thrill to hear him tell how he is leading those Indians in the Everglades of Florida into a close walk with the Saviour.

Miss Vena Aguiard is one of the outstanding missionaries among the French. She and others of her family became Christians as a result of the reading of a New Testament which her older brother, Maurice, received while serving during World War I in the United States Navy.

Work in Cuba will be discussed by Rev. Jose Sanchez, secretary of Sunday school and Training Union work in that country. In the summer of 1947, Brother Sanchez went to this work from the pastorate at Yaguajay, Cuba.

Ray Hoshizaki, another Convention speaker, was born in California of Japanese parentage. He had a Buddhist background. Ray was won to Christ by a Baylor ministerial student, and a few months later felt the call to the ministry. He is at present a student at Southern Baptist Seminary preparing to serve as missionary to his own people here in America.

Musicians

Southern Baptists will also be privileged to hear on home mission night two outstanding musicians who have given up promising careers in the field of music to serve as missionaries,

Rev. Carlos Paredes and Rev. George Wilson.

Rev. Carlos Paredes was interested in music from his youth, and while still in high school had a contract with a local radio station in his home town of El Paso, Texas. Later he toured with a professional chorus. It was while a student at Baylor University, where he had received a scholarship to study music, that he surrendered to the call of the ministry. Just a few weeks before his ordination as a minister, he was given an offer from the Metropolitan Opera concert series to go to New York and work for them as a concert singer at a tempting salary. Prayer brought the decision to reject this offer, and to continue his plans to enter the ministry. Since 1942 he has served under the Home Mission Board as a worker among the Mexicans in Austin, Texas.

A similar experience resulted in Rev. George Wilson, a full blood Sioux Indian, giving up the concert stage to become missionary to the Indians. Following his conversion in 1928, he quit the concert stage, where for three years his extraordinary voice had been bringing him fame and profit, and went to work for the Home Mission Board as missionary to the Indians of New Mexico. He worked there for five years, and then did evangelistic work in Texas for nine years before returning to the Home Mission Board in 1942.

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The Training Union Department issued 22,665 awards in February compared with 19,541 for the same period in 1947. The Sunday School Department reported 24,677 teacher training awards issued for the month.

Miss Joyce Keeler, Leesburg, Fla., has been elected freshman class representative on the Baptist Student Union Council of Blue Mountain College for the second semester. Miss Mary Eleanor Braddock, Ripley, has been elected treasurer.

Sunday School and B. T. U. Attendance
March 14, 1948

Brookhaven, First	784	177
Hatchurst	358	118
Jackson, First	1218	402
Jackson, Calvary	1312	317
Jackson, Calvary including		
Stone Street Mission	1364	362
Jackson, Northside	344	100
Jackson, Southside	191	94
Jackson, Davis Memorial	336	101
Jackson, Van Winkle	401	254
Byram, Hinds County	113	89
Laurel, Second Avenue	465	149
Crystal Springs	712	161
New Albany	464	177
Laurel, West	469	132
Hattiesburg, 5th Avenue	469	139
Greenwood, First	536	
Carmel, Lauderdale County	55	45
Friendship, Pike County	170	108
Calvary, Pike County	83	70
Columbus, First	863	281
Bruce	236	69
Morton	144	
Gulfport, First	570	170
McComb	400	223
Booneville, First	261	116
Murphy Creek, Winston County	91	33
Louisville, First	377	115
Louisville, First including		
South Louisville Mission	395	
Hattiesburg, Main Street	737	329
East Fork, Amite County	103	50
Pascagoula, First	669	220
Houlka, Chickasaw County	81	32
Chester	55	
Darling	49	21
Wellmon, Lincoln	56	69
Mt. Vernon, Leflore County	76	72
Wallerville	90	37
Lucedale	239	79
Columbia, East	57	
Antioch, Lawrence County	86	65
Centerville	181	66
Rocky Springs, Yazoo County	30	
Magee	363	95
Center	117	63
Poplar Springs, Simpson	60	
March 7, 1948		
Magee	345	110
Oloh, Marion County	85	87
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	49	36
East Columbia	90	
Mt. Vernon, Leflore County	70	79
Laurel, South	91	52
Lucedale	254	78
Mt. Vernon, Leflore County	70	79
Morton	161	
Greenwood, First	500	

CHANGES AMONG CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton
Called and Accepted

R. G. Bennett, Cornettus, N. C.
James W. Cummins, First, Guthrie, Ky.

Edwyn Luttrell, Main St., Emporia, Va.
Frank E. Morris, Geoffrey, S. C. from Leigh St., Richmond, Va.

F. C. Rowland, First Binger, Okla. from Ponca City.

W. T. Broughton, Procossett, Okla. from Denton.

C. D. Baggett, First, Ryan, Okla.

Lester Probst, Llana, Texas.

A. W. Smith, First Roscoe, Texas from Aule Ave., Fort Worth.

Paul Thompson, Saint Joe, Texas from Bonita.

W. E. Brown, Weimar, Texas.

T. D. Dunnaway, Batesville, Texas from Fredericksburg.

B. L. Moxingo, Jefferson Street, Roanoke, Va. from First, Radford.

Kenneth Bolinger, Lonedale, Cal. from Predmont, Okla.

Dorvell Tabb, First, Harmony, Okla.

Richard Darcing, First, Gage, Oklahoma.

It costs to be a Christian. Business opportunities may be cut off, financial losses may be incurred, social barriers may be raised. Young people may pay the price of being excluded from certain popular circles. Those who are faithful to Christ "shall" suffer persecution, but this a part of the glory of the Christian life. — K. Owen White in Home Life.

Abstinence Pledge Will Be Asked of Southern Baptists

NASHVILLE Tenn. — (BP) — Every member of Southern Baptist Sunday schools above 10 years of age will be asked to sign commitments for abstinence from beverage alcohol in a special temperance appeal Sunday, May 30.

The Baptist appeal will be similar to one planned by the nation's Methodists for February 15.

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, and Dr. Jerome O. Williams, educational secretary, of the Baptist Sunday School Board here, have written all denominational leaders asking that the full month of May be used "to lead millions of people to oppose the use of alcohol as a beverage."

All monthly publications of the Sunday School Board will carry articles on the subject in their May issues, and the Sunday School lesson discussions for May 30, entitled "Daniel Stands by His Convictions," will be developed "to lead all who are enrolled in the Sunday school to the points of making a commitment against the use of alcohol as a beverage."

Commitment cards will be furnished upon request to pastors and other leaders Dr. Holcomb said. The cards, captioned "The Christian's Commitment," read:

"Because I love Jesus and want my life to count for Him and because I know that beverage alcohol is the foe of spiritual living and the destroyer of everything dear to the heart of my Lord, I promise myself that I will not use beverage alcohol and that I will never sell, give, or serve it to others."

Baptist Record appreciates a nice new and renewal subscriptions from Little Bahala Church, Lincoln County. The list was sent by the church treasurer, Rufus J. Smith.



REV. EARL C. EDWARDS

Shown above is Rev. Earl C. Edwards, pastor of East McComb Church, who will assist the pastor, Rev. R. T. Bishop, in a revival meeting in Meadville beginning March 21 and week following.

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40 & 25 Years Ago

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.

40 YEARS AGO

Pastor D. W. McLeod, Mississippian, writes from Stanton, Texas, that "the Baptist Record's weekly visits to us is like a letter from home."

Dr. A. V. Rowe, State Mission Board Secretary, writes:—"At Pickens the folks have it in mind to support a native missionary, and here is the first installment in that direction."

25 YEARS AGO

The District One Regional Conference was announced to be held in Jackson, First Baptist church, by the pastor, Dr. W. A. Hewitt, with free entertainment by the Baptist churches for all who attend.

A request from Miss Margaret Lackey:—"To our State Pastors—Dear Brethren, our State W. M. U. Annual Meeting will be held in Columbia, April 10-12. We are humbly requesting all pastors to please not set meetings for that week. If your meeting is on, it is of course the proper thing for your women members to stay at home; but they need the inspiration and information that they will get by attending their State Convention; hence this request."

Mississippi Calendar of Prayer

Issue March 18, 1948

- March 22 — Sunflower County Sunday School Campaign.
- March 23 — Rev. A. E. Mason, Trustee, Clarke Memorial College.
- March 24 — Patsy Bailey, Secretary, Department of Church Music.
- March 25 — H. C. Steele, Dean of Instruction, Mississippi Woman's College.
- March 26 — Mrs. Mildred Montgomery, Hostess, Crestman Hall, Mississippi College.
- March 27 — Miss Annie Hendricks, Registrar, Blue Mountain College.
- March 28 — Rev. Glenn Smith, President, District 12 Training Union.

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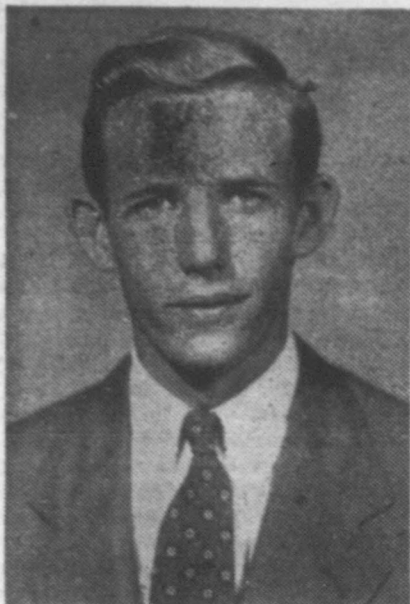
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Providence Calls Pastor



REV. RICHARD A. HANCOCK

Rev. Richard A. Hancock, student at Mississippi College, has recently accepted the pastorate of Providence Church, Lawrence County.

A new business program is being established by the church, and much progress is anticipated under the leadership of the new pastor.

Baptist School of Nursing Juniors Entertain Seniors

Members of the Senior class of the School of Nursing of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Jackson, recently were honor guests at a delightful party given by the Junior Class in the Rose Room of the Heidelberg Hotel.

The room was decorated in green and white, the class colors, with a lovely centerpiece of white carnations and snapdragons adorning the speaker's table and setting the theme for the other floral arrangements on the tables. Handpainted place cards and programs, featuring St. Patrick's Day, marked the places of the 156 guests.

Dr. Harvey Johnson acted as toastmaster. Miss Olga Young, senior Class president, read the class will, and Miss Dorothy Jean Polk, president of the Juniors read the class prophesy and presented each senior with a lovely gift.

Miss Betty Jo Davis delighted the audience by singing three lovely Irish songs. She was accompanied by Miss Virginia Cavett. Miss Christine Boyette as sponsor of the Junior Class, was presented a lovely gold watch as a token of appreciation. Miss Boyette presented Dr. Paul Young, guest speaker of the evening, who had been one of her professors at L. S. U. when she received her B. S. degree.

Special Easter Program On "The Greatest Story"

The Easter season will be marked by a special series of plays on the radio program, "The Greatest Story Ever Told," which is now in its second year over the ABC network every Sunday night at 6:30 p. m., EST.

Recordings of each of the programs broadcast during the first year are available for use in schools, churches, hospitals, and other inspirational groups. The records come in albums, two programs to an album, at a price of \$4.95, postpaid, if ordered from the American Broadcasting Company, Greatest Story Department, New York City.

West Jackson Church, Rev. J. F. Sullivan, pastor, recently checked the EVERY FAMILY list and found that there were 16 names to be added.

A Reader Writes

Dear BR Editor:

No one enjoys reading THE BAPTIST RECORD more than this Mississippian, though it has been more than twenty-four years since my last residence there. The Record is indeed a religious newspaper with helpful editorials and readable articles.

But what moves me to this writing is two news items, one in the issue of November 27 concerning the church at Becker and the other in the issue of December 4 telling of the work at Gunnison and Rosedale. They stirred memories of my labors away back yonder. I was the first pastor at both Rosedale and Becker, and I read the reports of their doings with the keenest sort of interest.

While pastor at Gunnison in 1904, I was asked by the State Mission Board, under the leadership of Dr. A. V. Rowe, to become missionary pastor at Rosedale upon the completion of the house of worship, serving half time at each place. I shall never forget the talk in that town in connection with my first baptismal service. The Methodists and Episcopalians had held sway there and up to that time there had been no New Testament baptizing in their midst. The talk was more about the unusual than in the way of open opposition. Indeed in the matter of attendance, the Episcopalians were co-operative, their days and our alternating. It was while I was at Amory in 1941 that Brother J. A. Rogers who had for some time been preaching on his own in the Becker community school house occasionally, asked me to join him in holding a protracted meeting there, the outcome of which was the organization of the church and my being called as pastor, going down on Sunday afternoons for preaching services. Our first task was the building of a house of worship which was done at a cost of around \$1,500.00; and a fairly nice one it was for a start. But now it does me good to know that they have property valued at \$14,000.00 which is soon to be further increased with a parsonage; and that their membership is near three hundred with nine deacons and all the others evidences of a grown-up church. R. C. Blalock, 1628 NW 14th, Okla. City, Okla.

—BR—
MRS. R. A. LITTLE

Whereas;

God in His wisdom, Has called from our midst Mrs. Mary Little, One of the most loyal, faithful and consecrated members of Mize Baptist Church. She was always courageous and uncomplaining in the work of the church, town and community life. Her strength in the Lord was an example and inspiration to all who knew her. The beautiful life she lived for Her Master will always be instilled in our hearts.

Whereas, Our church and town has sustained a great loss in her passing away.

Therefore be it resolved that; We express our deepest heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved husband, children and relatives, and a copy of these resolutions be given to the family, a copy to be placed in the Minutes of Mize Baptist Church, and copies be sent to the Baptist Record and Smith County Reformer, for publication.

Respectfully Submitted
MRS. GLENN MERRIT
MRS. HINDS JONES
PASTOR BOB LOWE
RESOLUTION COMMITTEE
OF MIZE BAPTIST CHURCH

—BR—
Pine Bluff Church, Copiah County, recently checked the EVERY FAMILY list and added 17 names. The list was sent in by Mrs. L. D. Inabnet.

Miss America Captures Spotlight At Church Youth Conference

CLEVELAND —(RNS)— Barbara Jo Walker, 21-year-old Sunday School teacher of Memphis, Tenn., has done it again.

Coming here as a delegate to the Methodist Youth Conference, she captured the spotlight as easily as she won the title of Miss America, 1947, in the Atlantic City finals last September.

Yet there was no blaring of bands at her arrival. She won her way into the hearts of her 12,000 fellow delegates through her quiet modesty, that amounts almost to shyness, her interest in the welfare of others and her innate qualities of leadership.

"I don't know when I've been so thrilled," she whispered. "If these people only realize the opportunity before them, what a lot it will mean to churches all over the country."

When she went into the improvised dormitory where cots had been set up for 1,600 girls, one of the girls, sitting cross-legged in pajamas on her cot, asked how they could help build up their churches back home.

"I'd say it's by personal example," Miss Walker replied without a moment's hesitation. "If we're tolerant, if we're clean living and if we try to follow the golden rule, there is no question but that other young people will begin to take an interest in your church and want to join."

Alabama Baptists And Methodists Stage Joint Campaign For Christian Education

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. —(BP)— Baptists and Methodists are working together in Alabama for Christian education.

Leaders of the two major denominations in the state have launched a joint campaign to raise \$2,500,000 for Howard College, a Baptist institution, and Birmingham-Southern College, a Methodist institution. Both schools are located in Birmingham, and both will share equally in the campaign's proceeds.

The campaign was launched in a giant rally in the Birmingham City Auditorium Saturday night, January 17, with Bishop Arthur Moore of the Methodist Church and Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee as speakers.

Pledges were taken at the rally, with a total of \$440,000 either pledged or paid in cash at the program's conclusion.

Birmingham has accepted a quota of \$1,000,000 for the campaign, and another \$1,000,000 will be sought outside the city. The General Education Board and other Foundations are expected to give the final \$500,000.

Dr. A. H. Reid, executive secretary of Alabama Baptist work, explained the joint nature of the campaign as compliance to the request of certain big givers who desire to contribute to both colleges and would not favor a campaign for one without the other. Both institutions are so much a part of Birmingham, he said, it would be impossible to conduct separate campaigns in that city. Because of the cooperation of the two groups, representing jointly so large a part of Alabama's population, newspapers, radios and other publicity media have opened their space almost unreservedly to the campaign.

BTU Group Meets At Washington Church

The Greene County Training Union Associational Meeting was held at Washington Church, Neely, on February 29. Representatives from the following churches were present: Unity, Cedar Grove, Neely, McLain, Pleasant Hill (Sand Hill, Avera, and Salem. Washington Church received the attendance banner.

The program consisted of special music by Mrs. Byron Mathis, Neely; a devotional by Rev. Byram Mathis, Neely; a discussion of the eight point record system by Mrs. Oree Anderson, Neely; a presentation of Clarke College needs by Rev. R. H. Daniel, pastor of Cedar Grove Church; and an inspirational message on the subject, "Building Myself Through the Training Union," by Rev. O. U. Sullivan, Avera.

It was decided that the next Sunday School Associational Meeting be held on the third Sunday of the third month in the following quarter, and that the next Training Union Association be held on the fifth Sunday following that Sunday at Neely Church.

Eupora Plans to Build

Plans for the new church plant at Eupora are progressing as the building fund grows. According to the pastor, Rev. J. R. Reedy, the fund now totals \$70,000 for the building alone, with more coming in all the time.

J. M. Spain, well-known Jackson architect, has drawn the plans and is now preparing the specifications.

It is hoped that construction can be started in the near future.

In addition to accumulating this large building fund, the church has increased the Cooperative Program gifts every year and is listed among the first one hundred churches in gifts to the Cooperative Program.

Editor's note: This church is also an EVERY FAMILY church.

—BR—
Bowie Street Church of Hattiesburg continues to grow. Recently a revised EVERY FAMILY list was sent in by J. M. Helms. There was a gain of 35 in the number of names on the list. Rev. Cecil C. Smith is pastor.

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F. F. PARSONS
Whereas, our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom saw fit to remove from our midst our Beloved Brother and fellowchurchman, Brother F. F. Parsons on the date of February third 1948, and Whereas, he had served in our church for a period of almost twenty-five years as a deacon, as chairman of the deacons, as a Sunday School teacher, church treasurer, Chairman of the Finance Committee and a leader in many other activities, and

Whereas, he was a man of deep spirituality and outstanding leadership ability which inspired others to follow him, and Whereas, the entire membership of the church feels its keen loss in the passing of our beloved brother.

Therefore be it resolved: That in the death of Mr. Parsons, the First Baptist Church has lost a great leader and the community a true Christian gentleman.

Be it further resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the deacons, and the church, that they be printed in the Evangel and that a copy be sent to the Baptist Record in Jackson, Mississippi.

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